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REPLY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the requirement for restriction set forth in the Office Action dated May 8, 2000 (Paper No. 19), the invention defined by claims 22, 31-35, and 38, designated invention "II", is elected for examination.

In response to the requirement to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits, the species principally illustrated in Figure 3a, designated species "I", is elected for prosecution on the merits. Claims 22, 31-35, and 38 all read on the elected species.

Should the Examiner have any questions after considering this Reply, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney so that such questions can be answered.

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Respectively submitted

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